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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILES

1. Mr. Stacey Jones, of Liberty Magazine, called to ask for Mr. Pforzheimer. In the latter's absence, I talked to Mr. Jones. He is in the process of writing an article concerning the Government's investigations within the country in connection with the loyalty and security programs in an effort to allay some of the current rumors and hysteria. He is concentrating on the FBI and wished information as to our functions and charter. He had an early copy of S. 758 which merely transferred the functions and authority of the NIA to the NSC. I suggested that he obtain copy of Public Law 253 of the 80th Congress which spelled out the Agency's functions in Section 102(d), and particularly that he note the first proviso in Section 102(d)(3) prohibiting police, subpoena, law-enforcement powers, or internal-security functions. He stated that was the section in which he was primarily interested.

2. Mr. Jones stated that if he were unable to obtain a copy of the bill he might call this office again, and I asked him in such case to ask for Mr. Pforzheimer.

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